

Duun language

Duun is a Mande language of Mali. There are two principal varieties of Duun, **West Duun**, or *Duungooma* (also known as Du, Samogho-sien), in Mali, and **East Duun**, or *Dzuungoo*, in Burkina Faso. These are clearly distinct but have a reasonable degree of mutual intelligibility with each other and with Banka (*Bankagooma*). Dialects of East Duun, Kpan (*Kpango*, Samoro-guan) and *Dzùungoo* (Samogo-iri), are easily intelligible.^[1]

Phonology

The phonology of the Dunn languages contains 26 consonants and 12 vowels^[4]. The following phonemes are in the International Phonetic Alphabet (IPA).

Duun	
Region	Mali, Burkina Faso
Native speakers	80,000 (1998) ^[1]
Language family	Niger–Congo <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mande ▪ Western ▪ Northwestern ▪ Samogo ▪ Duun
Language codes	
ISO 639-3	Either: dux – West Duun dnn – East Duun
Glottolog	duun1242 (http://glottolog.org/resource/languoid/id/duun1242) <i>Duungooma</i> ^[2] dzuu1241 (http://glottolog.org/resource/languoid/id/dzuu1241) <i>Dzuungoo</i> ^[3]

Consonant Phonemes

		<u>Labial</u>	<u>Alveolar</u>	<u>Palatal</u>	<u>Velar</u>	<u>Labial-velar</u>
Obstruent	<u>Occlusive</u>	p b	t d	c t̪	k g	kp gb
	<u>Affricate</u>		ts			
			dz			
Sonorant	<u>Fricative</u>	f v	s	ʃ ʒ	x	
	<u>Nasal</u>	m	n	ɳ	ŋ	ŋm
	<u>Approximant</u>	w	l	j		

Vowel Phonemes

		<u>Unrounded</u>	<u>Rounded</u>
Closed	<u>Oral</u>	i	u
	<u>Nasal</u>	ĩ	ũ
	<u>Half-closed</u>	e	o
Mid-open	<u>Oral</u>	ɛ	ɔ
	<u>Nasal</u>	ɛ̄	ɔ̄
Open	<u>Oral</u>	a	
	<u>Nasal</u>	ã	

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